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1. WE FAVOR LUNS' PROPOSALS OUTLINED IN REF A, AND BELIEVE
THEY SHOULD BE DEVELOPED INTO A REVISED PROGRAM, BASED ON
A NATO AWACS CAPABILITY, INTEROPERABLE WITH NIMROD WHICH
CAN BE ENDORSED IN PRINCIPLE BY ABOUT JULY 1, WITH FINAL
RATIFICATION OF PROGRAM BY NATIONAL PARLIAMENTS LATER THIS
YEAR. WE WOULD LIKE TO USE MOMENTUM WHICH HAS BEEN GAINED,
BUT WE ARE ALSO AWARE THAT WE MUST GIVE ALL PARTICIPATING
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COUNTRIES ADEQUATE TIME FOR PARLIAMENTARY APPROVAL. PLEASE
ADVISE OTHER PERMREPS AND THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF OF OUR
SUPPORT FOR THE LUNS APPROACH.

2. YOU SHOULD DISCUSS THE TIME-FRAME WITH AMBASSADOR PAULS.
IT IS IMPORTANT TO DEVELOP A NATO PROGRAM BEFORE US PRODUC-
TION OF AWACS CEASES. FOR LOWEST COST PROGRAM WE

SHOULD HAVE GOVERNMENTAL APPROVAL BY THE END OF THE YEAR.
AT THE SAME TIME, WE DO NOT WANT TO FURTHER DISCUSS TARGET
DATES WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING FRG VIEWS.

3. FYI: SYG LUNS WILL SEE SECDEF BROWN ON APRIL 12, AND
IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE FRG VIEWS BEFORE THEN.
END FYI.

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